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Somervell, Gardiner S. '82

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APPENDIX A

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
REGISTRATION, SUBSCRIPTION, and STATISTICAL SERVICE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Date March 30, 1982

Full name GARDINER STANTON SOMERVELL, JR. SS # [REDACTED]
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address 127 Coconut Row

City Tavernier State Florida Zip Code 33070

Date of birth 12/30/39 (This is important and should be exact.)

Approximate age _____ (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

Religion Baptist Nationality American

Occupation Electrician

Education High School

Weight 170 - 180 lbs. Height 6' Race Caucasian

Color of hair Brown Color of eyes Brown

Outstanding characteristics or interests Guns, Fishing, Boats

Married or single Single Children 0
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Wife's name -

Scouting connections:

<u>Unit No.</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date registered</u>	<u>Date resigned</u>
T 588	Key Largo	FL	ASM	3/81	1/26/82

Special recognition O/A - elected, but not inducted

Suspended or denied registration for following reasons: Homosexual advances made to two Scouts in troop while on campout.

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION, AND LIST ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE, OR SPECULATION):

Signed, notarized statements of Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster describing the incident and highlighting meeting where Mr. Somervell admitted he had committed the acts.

F. STARON

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JOSEPH L. ALLEN

Signed Carl C. [Signature]
SCOUT EXECUTIVE D.S.S.
Council South Florida

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May 6, 1986

Mr. Kenneth Druckman
Attorney at Law
Rural Route 4, Box 160
Key Largo, FL 33037

Dear Mr. Druckman:

This is in response to your letter of April 30 concerning the registration of Stan Somervell, Jr.

As far as we can determine from our records, Mr. Somervell is not registered with the Boy Scouts of America at the present time.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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SHIRLEY MEYER

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[REDACTED]
ATTORNEY AT LAW
[REDACTED]

April 30, 1986

Boy Scout of America
Registration, Subscription & Statistical Service
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
Irving, Texas 75062-1296

Dear Sir:

I wish to know if you have Stan Somervell, Jr., also known as
Gardner Stanton Somervell, Jr. registered as a scoutmaster,
scout leader or scout committeeman.

Your help is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
[REDACTED]

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March 1, 1983

Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]:

You recently wrote to us concerning the registration of Stan Somervell. We do have this individual listed on our records in such a way that registration will be refused if Mr. Somervell tries to register.

We did confirm with the council last July that a file had been prepared and that future registration would be refused.

If you have further questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to write.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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cc: Mr. W. R. McGill, Jr, Scout Executive, Council 84
Mr. C. Hoyt Hunt, Regional Director, Southeast Region

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[REDACTED]
ATTORNEY AT LAW
[REDACTED]

February 18, 1983

Registration Service
National Council
Boy Scouts of America
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
Irving, Texas 75062

Re: Stan Somervell, Jr. A/K/A Gardner Stanton Somervell, Jr.
SS# [REDACTED]

Dear Sir:

On March 10, 1982 Key Largo, Florida Troop 588 reported a case of child molestation regarding the captioned individual.

This is to ask for confirmation from you that you have received the information from the South Florida Council, your records indicate the problem with Stan Somervell and that you will take necessary steps to deny Mr. Somervell registration in any other council.

I am certain that you understand that the parents of our troop wish to deny the opportunity for this individual to repeat the offense with boys of any Boy Scout Troop.

Enclosed find copies of affidavits of the Scoutmaster Thomas Kidd and Assistant Scoutmaster Norman Higgins. I am personally willing to discuss the matter with any Troop Committee in the future.

Sincerely,
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] mm

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July 22, 1982

Mr. L. Robert Kilmer
Scout Executive
South Florida Council, No. 84

Attention: Mr. Carl C. Christensen
Director of Support Services

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Gardiner Stanton Somervell, Jr.

Dear Bob:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We have reviewed this case with our Attorney and have now placed this man on the Confidential File.

Sincerely,

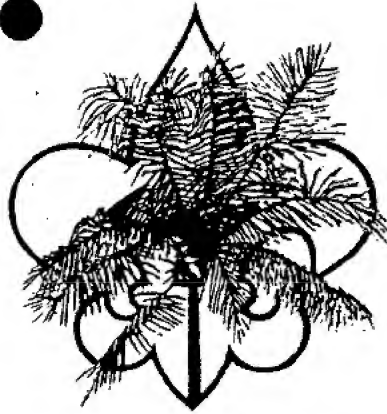
Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration Subscription &
Statistical Service

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cc: Southeast Region
Mr. W. Robert Somers, Area Director, Southeast Region

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SOUTH FLORIDA COUNCIL

Serving the youth of
Broward, Dade and Monroe Counties

April 1, 1982

Mr. Paul I. Ernst
Director
Registration, Subscription and
Statistical Service
Boy Scouts of America
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
Irving, Texas 75062 - 1296

Dear Paul:

Enclosed is the Confidential Record Sheet, letter
from [REDACTED], signed affidavits and our
letter of suspension to G. Stanton Somervell, Jr.

I believe that you will find this documentation suf-
ficient for your records. Based on our review, and
discussion with both Msrs. [REDACTED] and Kidd, we felt
that we had adequate information to support our decision
to take this action.

Should you have any question, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Carl C. Christensen
Director of Support Services

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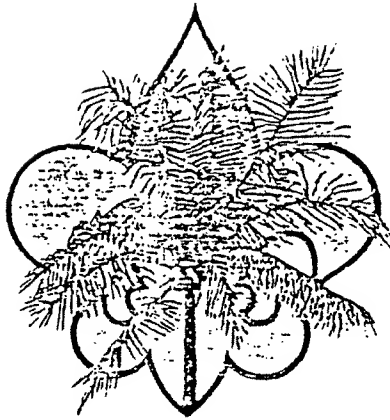
Boy Scouts of America, Thomas L. Tatham Service Center, 2960 Coral Way, P.O. Box 450099, Miami, Florida 33146
Phone (305) 446-8431, 584-4200 Broward



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SOUTH FLORIDA COUNCIL

Serving the youth of
Broward, Dade and Monroe Counties

March 30, 1982

Mr. G. Stanton Somervell, Jr.
127 Coconut Row
Tavenier, Florida 33070

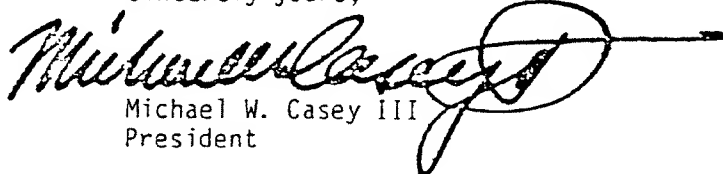
Dear Mr. Somervell:

After careful review, we have decided that your registration with the Boy Scouts of America should be suspended. We are therefore compelled to request that you sever any relations that you may have with the Boy Scouts of America.

You should understand that BSA leadership registration is a privilege and is not automatically granted to everyone who applies. We reserve the right to suspend registration whenever there is a concern that an individual may not measure up to the high standards of leadership which the BSA seeks to provide for American youth. Please also understand that this decision and the reasons for it will be maintained as confidential.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed, please write to me, explaining your version of the facts supporting your claim that your registration as a BSA leader should be granted or reinstated.

Sincerely yours,


Michael W. Casey III
President

[REDACTED]
ATTORNEY AT LAW
[REDACTED]

March 10, 1982

Mr. Steve Servais
Boy Scouts of America
2960 Coral Way
Miami, Florida 33145

Re: Stan Somervell, Jr.

Dear Steve:

Pursuant to the wishes of our troop committee and my telephone conversation with you, this is to officially report an incident of child molestation which occurred in Key Largo Troop 588.

Stanton Somervell, Jr., social security number [REDACTED] admitted, when confronted, that he had fondled two twelve year old boys in our troop while on a campout.

The night it was discovered by other adult leaders, Mr. Somervell was dismissed from our troop. By this letter we ask to have his name removed from the records of our troop.

We wish to have his name and the nature of his infraction reported to the national Boy Scout record keepers so that they may do whatever is necessary to keep Stan Somervell from serving in any capacity and in any other locality.

Please notify me in writing what actions are taken by the Boy Scouts so that I may report to our committee and interested, involved parents. Enclosed find copies of two affidavits substantiating allegations in this letter. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
[REDACTED]

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STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MONROE

AFFIDAVIT

BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared
THOMAS KIDD, who after being duly sworn deposes and says as follows:

1. My name is Thomas Kidd. I am scoutmaster of Key Largo
Boy Scout Troop 588.

2. On January 26, 1982 two Boy Scouts in my Troop reported
to me that Assistant Scout Master STANTON SOMERVELL, JR., AKA
GARDINER STANTON SOMERVELL, JR., ss# [REDACTED], date of birth,
December 30, 1939 had fondled their penises while on a scout
campout on or about May, 1981.

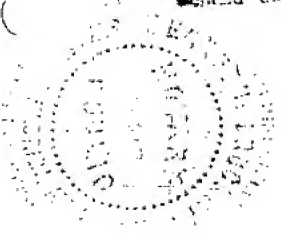
3. I confronted Stanton Somervell, Jr. with the allegations
after the meeting on January 26, 1982 and he admitted to me, in
the presence of Norman Higgins, a committee member, that he had
in fact fondled the two boys.

Thomas R Kidd
THOMAS KIDD

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this 1st day of March,
1982.

[Signature]
Notary Public
State of Florida at Large

Notary Public, State of Florida at Large
My Commission Expires January 27, 1983
Signed and Sealed Before Me



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STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MONROE

AFFIDAVIT

BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared NORMAN HIGGINS, who after being duly sworn deposes and says as follows:

1. My name is Norman Higgins. I am assistant scout master of Key Largo Boy Scout Troop 588.

2. On January 26, 1982 two Boy Scouts in our troop reported to me that Assistant Scout Master STANTON SOMERVELL, JR., A/K/A GARDINER STANTON SOMERVELL, JR., ss# [REDACTED], date of birth, December 30, 1939 had fondled their penises while on a scout campout on or about May, 1981.

3. I confronted Stanton Somervell, Jr. with the allegations after the meeting on January 26, 1982 and he admitted to me, in the presence of Thomas Kidd, Scoutmaster, that he had in fact fondled the two boys.

Norman Higgins
NORMAN HIGGINS

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this 9 day of MARCH, 1982.

Kenneth
Notary Public
State of Florida at Large

Notary Public, State of Florida at Large
My Commission Expires January 27, 1984
Secretary of State, Tallahassee, Florida

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